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REF: CAIRO 7390

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1. ACCORDING TO ZAIRIAN PRESS, MOBUTU, ON JULY 28, TOLD REPORTERS ACCOMPANYING PRESIDENT SADAT THAT GOZ SHARED EGYPTIAN OPPOSITION TO EXPULSION OF ISRAEL FROM UN. SUCH AN ACTION, HE SAID, RAN RISK OF GOING TOO FAR AND OF ENABLING ISRAEL TO IGNORE UN DECISIONS BY VIRTUE OF ITS ABSENCE FROM THAT ORGANIZATION. MOBUTU ALSO STATED THAT POSSIBLE SANCTIONS AGAINST ISRAEL WAS DEPENDENT ON CONCLUSION REACHED BY OAU HEADS OF STATE

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ON SUBJECT.

2. RE CARO'S REFTTEL, FOLLOWING IS FREE TRANSLATION OF SADAT STATEMENT TO ZAIRIAN PRESS WHICH REPORTED IN AZAP: "THE AMERICANS HAVE ENGAGED THEMSELVES IN PLAYING THE ROLE OF MEDIATORS BETWEEN TEL AVIV AND CAIRO. IT IS NOT CHILDREN WHO HAVE UNDERTAKEN SUCH A TASK. I HOPE THAT THEIR EFFORTS WILL LEAD TO RELIEVING THE SITUATION SO THAT THE MEETINGS OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE CAN BE RESUMED." PRIOR TO THIS STATEMENT SADAT SAID HE HOPED THAT THREE MONTH PROLONGATION OF UN TROOPS IN SINAI TO WHICH HE HAD JUST AGREED WILL PERMIT TO OVERCOME OBSTACLES WITH THE VIEW TO RAPID RESUMPTION OF THE GENVA CONFERENCE ON MIDDLE EAST. AS BEST AS CAN BE DETERMINED FROM HERE, BOTH MOBUTU AND SADAT PRESS INTERVIEWS TOOK PLACE AT SAME TIME, AFTER THEY HAD HELD PRIVATE MEETING DURING WHICH MIDDLE EAST WAS DISCUSSED. SADAT' COMMENTS APPEARS TO BE IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS FROM PRESS. END UNCLASSIFIED

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3. COMMENT: MOBUTU POSITION ON ISRAELI EXPULSION APPEARS TO BE PREDICATED ON LIMITED ARAB RESPONSIVIENESS TO GOZ NEEDS. NEVERTHELESS HE MAY BE DISPOSED TO BACK SANCTIONS AGAINST ISRAEL AS QUID PRO QUO FOR MORE ARAB SUPPORT AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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